

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q76276

Mark KOOPS, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/629,682

Group Art Unit: 2443

Confirmation No.: 6552

Examiner: Daniel C. MURRAY

Filed: July 30, 2003

For: A NETWORK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR MANAGING NETWORKS AND
IMPLEMENTING SERVICES ON THE NETWORKS USING RULES

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on September 3, 2009:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was mailed September 16, 2009.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None
2. Identification of claims discussed: 1
3. Identification of art discussed: Galis, Helgren and Carter
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: The Examiner suggested

amending claim 1 to positively recite the function of determining the technology. Further, the Examiner suggested amending the claim to show stronger correlation between the service being created and the technology rules and determination of the technology. Also, the Examiner

suggested amending the claims to clarify if the service is created or implemented and which rules are associated with the creation and implementation.

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: The combination of the cited references do not teach or suggest “the technology rules model expert know-how and specify how to determine technology to use in the service being created based on stored attributes of equipment in the network and stored attributes of the service.”

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None

7. Results of Interview: Applicants will file a response taking into consideration Examiner's remarks and suggested amendments made in the interview.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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